OFFICIAL MINUTES STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD October 31, 1977

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met on October 31, 1977 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 1016, First National Building, Temple, Texas.

Board members present were: Joe Antilley, Chairman; Frank Gray, Vice Chairman; Albert Roach, E. W. Wehman and Henry Turney.

Others present were: Harvey Davis, Executive Director and Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor of the State Board staff.

Since copies of the minutes of the October 11, 1977 meeting were mailed to each Board member, on motion of Henry Turney, seconded by Albert Roach, the minutes were approved without being read.

Harvey Davis reported on the attendance at the Annual Meeting of Soil and Water Conservation District Directors held in Lubbock, Texas on October 11, 12, and 13, 1977. Of the 800 people in attendance, 310 of these were directors representing 145 districts, 203 were directors' wives, 70 other ladies and 217 other men. Each board member received a report showing attendance statistics from each of the five State areas.

A thank you note was read from the Honorable Dolph and Janey Briscoe expressing appreciation for the warm reception at the Annual Meeting of Soil and Water Conservation District Directors on Tuesday evening, October 11, 1977 in Lubbock, Texas.

Mr. Antilley presented an invitation to the Board from El Paso to host the 1978 Annual Statewide Meeting of Soil and Water Conservation District Directors. No action was taken.

Harvey Davis, Executive Director of the Board since December 1, 1961 and prior to that time Assistant Executive Director since December 1, 1954, presented a letter of resignation to the Board. Mr. Davis accepted the position of Executive Director of the Texas Department of Water Resources in Austin, Texas effective November 1, 1977. Mr. Davis expressed his appreciation to the Board for their leadership, dedication, support and warm friendship and advised he would be available for the next sixty days for any help the Board desires. On motion of Henry Turney, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board accepted his resignation with regrets.

On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Henry Turney, the Board authorized John Millican to sign all necessary expenditures, purchases and any other transactions for the Board.

The 1978 National Association of Conservation Districts meeting will be held in Anaheim, California on February 5-9, 1978. All Board members will attend. On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board authorized the Executive Director, Assistant Executive Director and Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor to attend the meeting. Reservations for the Board members are to be made at the Disneyland (headquarters) Hotel.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on December 1, 1977 as previously scheduled.

The meeting convened into executive session at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with provisions of Section 2g, Article 6252-17, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes to evaluate, reassign and discuss duties of agency employees.

After considerable discussion, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman, and seconded by Frank Gray to offer the position of Executive Director of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board to Carl Spencer and to designate John Millican as Acting Executive Director until the new Executive Director assumes his duties. The motion carried.

The executive session adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary

December 1 1977

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board meeting held on October 31, 1977.

Date December 1, 1977

Executive Director